Research and Development (BPR&D), Ministry of Home Affairs to provide its AM/FM Radio Channels, as a medium of training of Police personnel posted in various Police Training Institutes all over the country.

(c) Prasar Bharati has informed that the scheme would be introduced on the availability of the content from BPR&D.

Setting up of LPT centres in Tamil Nadu

2210. SHRI RIKA. RA. SUBBIAN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the details of number of LPT centres in Tamil Nadu ;

(b) whether there is a demand or thinking on the part of Government to set up more LPT centres in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ) : (a) Forty one LPT centres are presently functioning in Tamil Nadu.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Fourteen more LPT centres are presently under implementation in the State.

Performance of FM stations

2211. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the number of FM stations operating as on date;

(b) the details of their performance;

(c) the steps taken to ensure good quality of programmes put across by these stations; and

(d) whether Government have realised the financial target visualised in this venture?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ) : (a) As on date, 130 FM transmitters are operational in the country, including 2 stations set up by private agencies.

(b) and (c) The performance of AIR FM stations has been excellent both in terms of content and quality. The programme pattern of the Prasar Bharati Stations is discussed at various levels and carefully crafted. It has been the